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Descriptive Catalogue
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STRAWBERRY PLANTS



BASIL PERRY
GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE

STRAWBERRY PLANTS

✓ **KELLOGG'S PREMIER**—The very best of all early varieties. We have never found anything to equal it. Berries are large, beautifully formed, bright red through and through. It is delicious in flavor and a splendid shipper. We have fruited it four years and consider it the money-making king of all early varieties. It produces a very heavy crop and you should plant heavily, whether growing for home use, local market or distant shipment. If Premier has any weak points, we have not found them and we advise all those in sections where early berries are in demand to include Premier, whether setting fifty plants or fifty thousand.

✓ **EDMUND WILSON**—A strikingly unique variety. The plants resemble potato vines in size and vigor; the berries are as large as small apples. Form globular or bluntly heart shaped, of dark maroon color with smooth surface and quite firm. Perhaps the richest in sugary lusciousness of all—indeed a marvel of size and high quality. Upon good soil the plants attain a height of twelve to fifteen inches with a spread of fully a foot, and are enormously prolific. Ripens in midseason.

✓ **CHESAPEAKE**—Late. Ripens a little earlier than Gandy, but holds out about as long and much more productive, without green tips. Has a beautiful appearance, extra large, even in shape and uniform in size; plants are strong and healthy, dark green in color, rich and vigorous, no rust, no disease, in fact no weakness of any kind. This is a good one and is well known and extensively planted where strawberries are grown.

✓ **JOE JOHNSON**—(Big Joe) Late. One of the most popular shipping berries on nearly all large markets. It is a strong grower, making plenty of plants for a good fruiting bed. The berries are large, bright red and have large, light green caps, which makes the berries very attractive and adds to the selling price. The quality is good and the berries are quite firm. It is a good shipper and equally good for fancy local market purposes. One of the most productive.

✓ **TENNESSEE PROLIFIC**. Midseason. Berries fairly large in size and light in color, flesh is fine grained and firm enough to ship. Very productive.

✓ **SUPERIOR**. Early. Very productive; berries large and firm, with many of them; one of the greatest plant makers; noted for its productiveness and good shipping qualities.

✓ **LUPTON LATE**. One of the largest and most handsome berries we have ever seen. The plant is a vigorous grower and produces strong, healthy foliage. They are very productive and as stated above the berries are beautiful—they are uniformly large, bright red in color; with a large green cap which makes them doubly attractive. The berries are firm and will carry as well as any variety we have ever seen.

✓ **PARSONS BEAUTY**. Mid-season. Plants are healthy and vigorous and makes a good fruiting bed, popular nearly everywhere on account of its many good qualities. Berries are large size, good flavor, bright red color, one of the best of the mid-season varieties.

Fall or Everbearing Strawberries

Everbearing strawberries have been produced successfully wherever spring-bearing varieties are grown. There are varieties adapted to every section, altho Progressive is the best of the lot nearly everywhere. The plants are set in early spring, just like other strawberries; they are hoed, cultivated and fertilized just as other varieties. For best results, the blossoms should be kept pinched off until the last of June, or middle of July. About August 1, you can commence picking fruit and continue to get it until freezing weather. The second year, the plants will fruit in the spring and if seasonable, will continue to fruit all through the summer and early fall months. If you neglected to set some plants last spring, so as to have some fruiting beds this spring, the everbearers, planted this spring will bear you a crop of berries the first year, only a few weeks after the plants are set. If the ground is rich and moist, these can be allowed to commence fruiting earlier than August 1, so that you can have strawberries all thru the season, as well as in the fall. Given good land, good treatment and good growing conditions, every plant of the Progressive will produce an abundance of berries during the fall. No investment you could make will give the whole family more satisfaction and pleasure than a plot of these berries.

✓ PROGRESSIVE.—This is a very strong and thrifty grower with tall luxuriant foliage to protect the bloom and fruit from the hot sun and frosts. Practically every blossom makes a berry and every berry makes a perfect fruit. Medium to large in size; dark red; fine quality, and produced in great abundance on the spring set plants and runner plants during August, September and October. And the first of all varieties, whether June or Everbearing, to ripen on the year-old plants in spring.

✓ FRANCIS—One of the finest. Fruit large, handsome and attractive. An exhibition berry. A most persistent fruiter. The spring set plants bear so heavily that, as a rule, they make but few new plants, which also bear fine fruit, often before well rooted in the soil.

✓ AMERICUS—The plant of the Americus is very healthy and a strong grower; the berry is medium to large in size, firm, uniform shape, bright red through and through. The plant when loaded with berries is a beauty. The berries have the wild strawberry flavor.

✓ SUPERB—The fruit of Superb is large, firm and of fine quality, resembling the Chesapeake in many ways. It is not so productive and requires more care and attention than the Progressive, but is larger in size and handsomer in appearance. In addition to its value as a fall bearer, Superb will bear an excellent crop of berries in the spring. They look well, ship well and sell well. We advise planting Superb in small quantities only, unless it has been tried and found to be good in your particular locality.

✓ MINNESOTA 1017—Was originated by the Minnesota Plant Breeding Station, and is one of the best of the everbearers. In plant growth it is ideal; plants strong, hardy growers and makes a number of runner plants which will bear fruit first year. Many claim it produces more fruit than any of the everbearing varieties, but with us it did not bear as many as Progressive.

✓ KELLOGG'S PERFECTION—This is the everbearing variety which won the \$1000 cash prize offered for the everbearer which proved nearest perfection; it is strong, hardy and vigorous in plant growth and very productive of uniformly large well-formed berries of rich color, delicate flavor and high quality.

✓ KOSATO—Originated in Michigan. The plants are very large and productive; the berries are very large and of good flavor.

✓ HONEYMOON—Near brother to Kosato, also originated in Michigan; the plants are strong, healthy growers; the fruit is good size; quite round in shape; deep red in color and very firm.

✓ LUCKY BOY—A very prominent strawberry grower in Maryland says this is the best everbearing strawberry, but with us here it does not produce but very little fruit the first Fall. To those who wish to test it out for themselves we offer a few plants.

Price List of Strawberry Plants

I WILL SELL 50 OF A KIND AT HUNDRED RATES

	25	100	250	500	1000
Americus, (Everbearing)	\$ 0.60	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 7.50	\$ 15.00
Chesapeake .....	.50	1.50	2.90	5.00	10.00
Edmund Wilson .....	.50	1.50	2.90	5.00	10.00
Francis (Everbearing) .....	.60	2.00	4.00	7.50	15.00
Honeymoon (Everbearing)	1.00	4.00			
Joe Johnson (Big Joe) .....	.40	1.25	2.25	4.00	8.00
Kellogg's Premier .....	.40	1.25	2.25	4.00	8.00
Kosato (Everbearing)	1.00	4.00			
Kellogg's Perfection (Everbearing)	1.00	4.00			
Lucky Boy (Everbearing,	1.00	4.00			
Minnesota 1017 (Everbearing) .....	.60	2.00	4.00	7.50	15.00
Lupton Late .....	.40	1.25	2.25	4.00	8.00
Parsons Beauty .....	.40	1.25	2.25	4.00	8.00
Progressive (Everbearing) .....	.50	1.50	2.90	5.00	10.00
Superb (Everbearing) .....	.50	1.50	2.90	5.00	10.00
Superior .....	.40	1.25	2.25	4.00	8.00
Tennessee Prolific .....	.40	1.25	2.25	4.00	8.00

PLANTS BY PARCEL POST

We strongly recommend that Strawberry Plants be ordered shipped by parcel post; extra-large shipments by express.

If plants are wanted by parcel post pre-paid, add to above price list.

First and Second Zones—8c per 100; 15c per 250; 25c per 500; 50c per 1000 plants.

Third Zone—12c per 100; 24c per 250; 44c per 500; 84c per 1000 plants.

Fourth Zone—20c per 100; 45c per 250; 85c per 500; \$1.60 per 1000 plants.

Fifth Zone—25c per 100; 60c per 250; \$1.20 per 500; \$2.40 per 1000 plants.

Sixth Zone—32c per 100; 80c per 250; \$1.60 per 500; \$3.20 per 1000 plants.

Seventh Zone—40c per 100; \$1.00 per 250; \$2.00 per 500; \$4.00 per 1000 plants.

Eighth Zone—48c per 100; \$1.20 per 250; \$2.40 per 500; \$4.80 per 1000 plants.

MY STRAWBERRY PLANTS

Are always grown in new beds,

Are fresh dug at time of shipment,

Are planted in blocks and kept pure,

Are sold at as low a price as we can name,

And furnish good plants.

RHUBARB ROOTS

MYATTS LINNAEUS—The earliest and best variety, the stalks grow very large and often 2 inches wide and are light green and scarlet. Requires less sugar than other kinds. Price, 20c each; \$1.50 per dozen; \$8.00 per 100. Postpaid.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS

YELLOW JERSEY—Ready from May 1st to July 1st. Price, 75c per 100; \$4.50 per 1000. Postpaid.

TESTIMONIALS

MR. BASIL PERRY:—

Dear sir the plants I got from you in 1917 were just fine. Yours for success.
March 6th, 1920. Mrs. Flossie E. Patton, St. Johns, Michigan.

MR. BASIL PERRY:—

Dear Sir:—I received a shipment of strawberry plants from you about 5 years ago and they reached me in fine condition.
June 30th, 1920. Mrs. George Toland, Raven, Colorado.

MR. BASIL PERRY:—

Dear Sir:—The fine plants came to hand in good order when they were opened I put them at once in wet earth. They were so large and clean I know they will do well.
May 21st, 1920. Very truly yours, Abbie A. Rakestraw, West Chester, Pa.

MR. BASIL PERRY:—

Dear Sir:—Received strawberry plants and roots last week and I am well pleased with them. They are fine. Thanking you for prompt delivery, I remain
May 3rd, 1920. Yours truly, Wm. Carley, Burdett, New York.